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July 26, 2004

Mr. Mike Herkimer
Permits and Compliance Division
Division of Water Quality
Utah Department of Environmental Quality
288 North 1460 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-4870

Dear Mr. Herkimer:

**Re: UPDES Permit Number UT0023884 , Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
Notification of Precipitation Event**

On July 16, 2004, the Mercur Mine Reclamation Project recorded precipitation between the hours of 4pm – 6pm at 0.94 inches. The silt fences at the Manning Canyon Main Gate area (Sedimentation Outfall # SO4) and the Plant Site South Drainage Area (Sedimentation Outfall #SO5) performed as designed in slowing the initial surge of stormwater flow and prevented major erosion from going off property. Both sites were eventually overwhelmed which resulted in partially controlled offsite stormwater flows.

No adverse impacts immediately downstream of the Outfall locations are apparent or are anticipated to have occurred as a result of the Mercur stormwater.

Barrick Mercur will re-establish SO4 and SO5 to design BMP condition as soon as possible. Also, information gathered from flow patterns around the site will be evaluated for additional onsite flow design improvements and implemented as appropriate.

Please contact me at (801) 990-3747 should you have any questions.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rocky Chase'.

Rocky Chase
Manager, Closure Properties

C: T. Munson (UDOGM)
W. Shubert (Mercur Site Manager)
G. Eurick (EIG)

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